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Attention is invited to the patent citations of record in the parent application Serial No.09/637,873, where copies of these documents may be found. Also attached is completed form PTO-1449 from the parent application.

Official citation and consideration of all the attached documents is requested. Please return to the undersigned a copy of the attached PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials in the left column [MPEP § 609] with the next communication.

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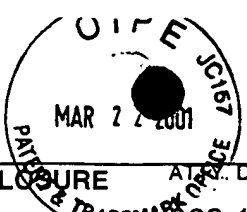
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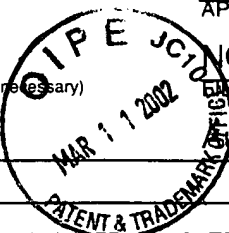
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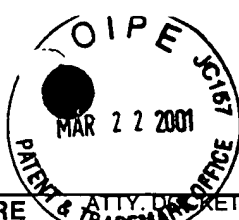
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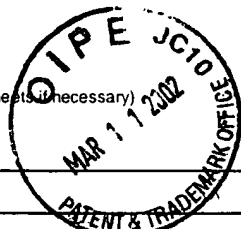
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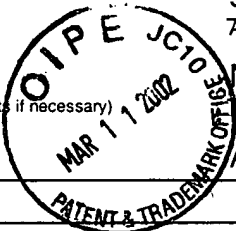
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